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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yuichi Yagawa

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.